

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of applying a silicone caulking compound. A first step involves applying a bead of silicone caulking compound to a seam or surface. A second step involves 5 spraying a cationic surfactant on the bead of silicone caulking compound. A third step involves wiping excess silicone caulking compound from the surface. The cationic surfactant applied to the surface "lubricates" the surface to prevent adhesion of the silicone caulking compound to the 10 surface when excess material is wiped away, thereby preventing smearing.